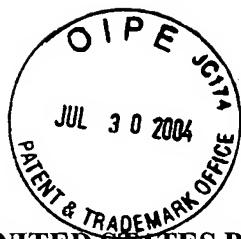


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Takemi HASEGAWA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2299
Serial No.: 10/076,603 : Group Art Unit: 1731
Filed: February 19, 2002 : Examiner: Hoffmann, John M.
For: OPTICAL FIBER AND OPTICAL FIBER TRANSMISSION LINE, AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant of Amendment, dated July 13, 2004, applicants submit herewith the Amendment originally submitted on June 25, 2004 correcting the informalities noted in the claims. No other amendments and/or changes have been made to the Amendment originally submitted June 25, 2004.

Applicants are responding within the 30 day time period set by the notice and therefore no Petition For Extension of Time is required.